GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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URANIUM RESERVES
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the uranium reserves are likely to be found in Balaghat district of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any survey for physical verification of the said reserves has been conducted; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES, MINISTER O STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS WELFA OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) Geological favourability exists for locating uranium occurrences in Balaghat District, Madhya Pradesh.

(b), (c) & (d) Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration & Research (AMD), a unit under the Department of Atomic Energy carried out reconnaitory and detailed surveys in different parts of the district during 1980`s and 1990`s. As a result of these surveys only a few surface uranium anomalies were located. As the results of these were not encouraging no further studies were carried out.